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SUBJ: U.S. RESPONSE TO "PRG" ACCESSION TO GENEVA

CONVENTION

REF: SAIGON 15801.

1. YOUR CONSTRUCTIVE SUGGESTIONS REFTEL FOR REVISION OF THE NOTE ARE ACCEPTABLE WITH ONE EXCEPTION. WE DO NOT WISH TO IMPLY IN ANY WAY THAT THE U.S. WILL ACCORD TO ALL HOSTILE ARMED FORCES NO MATTER WHERE OR UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES THEY MAY BE OPERATING THE TREATMENT PROVIDED BY THE CONVENTIONS, E.G. PLO TERRORISTS.

THUS MODIFICATION OF THE LAST PARAGRAPH OF THE DRAFT NOTE IS NECESSARY TO READ AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES NOTES THAT THE VIEWS EXPRESSED IN THIS NOTE SHOULD NOT BE UNDERSTOOD AS IMPLYING ANY WITHDRAWAL FROM THE POLICY PURSUED BY ITS ARMED FORCES WHILE INVOLVED IN THE ARMED CONFLICT

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IN VIET-NAM OF ACCORDING THE TREATMENT PROVIDED BY THE

CONVENTIONS TO ALL HOSTILE ARMED FORCES. UNQUOTE

2. WITH THIS CHANGE AND THE OTHER CHANGES YOU HAVE PROPOSED IN PARAGRAPH 6 REFTEL, WE WILL AVOID ANY QUESTION OF RECOGNITION OF THE PRG WHICH WOULD BE STRONGLY IMPLIED IF WE FAILED TO RESPOND TO THE SWISS NOTE INFORMING US OF THE PRG ACCESSION.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY RESPONSE BY DECEMBER 30.
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